



BARCLAYS LEAGUE

BOLTON WANDERERS
v
NORTHAMPTON TOWN
Sat. 2nd December, 1989.
Kick-Off 3.00 p.m.
Division 3
Season 1989-90

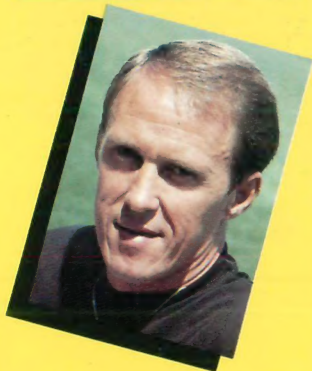
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PHIL'S PAGE



I think the formation we had out on Tuesday night just about summed up the position we have been in because of injuries recently. Yet the performance and the result said a lot for the way the players have battled magnificently under the circumstances.

By today I was hoping to have better news about our forward players, David Reeves, Tony Philliskirk and Stuart Storer who

have all been out of action but could possibly be fit or at least nearing match fitness. It's been a long, hard haul.

However much we want to see them back to full fitness I don't want to take anything away from the team's performance on Tuesday. It was nice to beat Crewe without two recognised strikers. Full credit to the lads who stood in so well and full credit to Dave Felgate for saving his second penalty in recent weeks here at Burnden.

It was some compensation for the defeats at Swindon and Birmingham in the two previous matches. I came away from both games feeling really angry. Despite the fact that we had to field a makeshift side, with "Camey" up front for instance, I really thought we should have come away with something, at least a draw in each case.

We hadn't become a bad team overnight and although we'd missed certain aspects of our forward play it was just a case of having to adapt, which we did to a certain degree.

It isn't easy, though, when you've lost as many as five recognised first team players. That's a quarter of your workforce, which would cause problems in productivity and output in any industry.

I'd like to thank the supporters for showing on Tuesday that they were aware of the situation and encouraged us accordingly. Our attendance was the top gate of the night in the competition and that's something we can be really pleased about.

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22nd November, 1989.

Dear Phil,

I thought I would put pen to paper to thank you and the team for such an exciting and courageous cup run in the Littlewoods Cup. Although not able to get to the away games (but I have listened in courtesy of GMR Radio), the two home games were very exciting.

It must be difficult to raise morale again after these last two defeats, but the team is playing well and obviously has lots of spirit and interest in winning and playing entertaining football and I'm sure they'll continue to do well in the rest of the season.

I hope the extra support who joined the "core" 5-6,000 of us will keep coming back to see the team.

Wishing you every success for the rest of the season and with thanks for the pleasure the team brings.

Carole Jobbis (Tyldesley)
(Burnden Stand Regular)

*Letter to Phil Neal, B.W.F.C.
22nd November, 1989.*

Dear Sir,

I am not in the habit of writing to football clubs but I feel that I must write and compliment you and your team for the manner in which they played during the third round of the Littlewoods Cup against Swindon.

I did not travel to either of the games at Burnden Park, but sat glued to the local radio station's commentary of the matches. The indication that I gained was that the level of commitment, skill and sportsmanship demonstrated by Bolton was every bit as impressive as in the two games at the County Ground. The magnificent support that your travelling fans gave during the first game was worthy of a letter on it's own, and I am sure that I am joined by many thousands of fellow Swindon supporters in extending sincere commiserations that Bolton should be unfortunate enough to be the beaten team of the tie. This especially after being removed from two cup competitions in four days.

Of course, one side eventually had to end on the losing side but I for one would not have risked any of my money on the result until the final whistle of the final breathtaking game. Your team and supporters have gained much respect in Wiltshire. Please pass my comments on to your players.

Cliche or not, I hope that you will now be able to concentrate on gaining the promotion that your team must surely deserve if they continue in the same manner.

Yours faithfully,
Dave Wallis
(Freshbrook, Swindon.)

WELCOME PLEASE FOR THE LADS FROM THE BOLTON LADS CLUB

Our great 4-1 victory in the local 'derby' at Preston North End on 28 October is the reason why we are delighted to welcome among our guests today 12 youngsters from the Bolton Lads Club together with their leaders.

In addition to watching a Barclays League match, they are here to receive the Barclays Performance of the Week Award from Mr. Malcolm Johnson, Barclays business centre manager at 31 Market Square, Bolton.

Bobby Robson's panel of leading managers select the outstanding result in Barclays League matches each week and our nomination for that excellent win at Deepdale allows us to pass the award, worth £650, to a local club in membership of the National Association of Boys Clubs.

So the Lads Club, recommended to us by the NABC, now receive a cheque for £300 together with a new set of kit which the boys are wearing this afternoon. Part of the cash element must be used on a scheme to benefit the local community—arranging a holiday for the disabled, providing security arrangements for old folks' houses, any project which they feel will improve the quality of life.

The schemes are assessed at the end of the season and, hopefully, the Lads' project will be among the best three which win further substantial cash awards from Barclays.

Mr. Johnson says "We are delighted to be associated with the Performance of the Week Award because it does establish a direct link between clubs and their local community. Some of the schemes devised by boys clubs last year were most imaginative and worthwhile."

"And, of course, the Awards do stimulate extra interest in results in all four divisions of the League each week especially at grass-root levels. We hope the new kit will bring luck to the Lads and that The Trotters will cause the judges to look towards them frequently in the future."

Naturally, as a club, we endorse Mr. Johnson's thoughts and, on behalf of the Lads and ourselves, thank Barclays Bank for their interest and support.



NEWS DESK NEWS DESK

BARCLAYS BANK FOOTBALL MANAGERS AWARDS 1989/90:

**BARCLAYS BANK
MANAGER OF THE MONTH:
DIVISION THREE—OCTOBER 1989
PHIL NEAL — BOLTON WANDERERS**

Before the kick-off this afternoon we have a very pleasant and thoroughly deserved ceremony to perform . . . the presentation of the Divisional Barclays Bank Manager of the Month Award for October to our manager, Phil Neal.

Phil was named for this award by the Football League following a very successful

month when the side had an unbeaten run in their Barclays League fixtures and progressed in the Littlewoods Cup with a win at Watford and a draw at Swindon. This is Phil's second Barclays Managerial award, the first being in April, 1989.

His award is a specially commissioned Aynsley China Plate and a Jeroboam of Champagne which will be presented by Mr. Malcolm Johnson, the manager at Barclays Bolton Business Centre.

I know everyone here will want to say "Cheers" to the team, and wish further success this season to them and to the Division Three Barclays Bank Manager of the Month . . . Phil Neal.

BARCLAYS DIVISION THREE TOP SCORERS 1989-90 (League games only)

- 14—Williamson (Rotherham)
- 10—Muir (Tranmere)
- 8—Pike (Cardiff)
- 7—Bailey (Birmingham), Cooper (Leyton O), McGinley (Shrewsbury), Mehew (Bristol R.), Robinson (Bury), Taylor (Bristol C)
- 6—Buckley (Rotherham), Hayland (Bury), Malkin (Tranmere), May (Brentford), Philliskirk (Bolton W), Rimmer (Walsall), Smith (Huddersfield), Sturridge (Birmingham)

HIGHEST LEAGUE ATTENDANCES

- 17,432 Bristol C. v Bristol R.
- 11,994 Bristol C. v Bolton W.
- 10,834 Birmingham C. v Walsall
- 10,447 Birmingham C. v Crewe A.
- 9,188 Bristol C. v Shrewsbury T.

HIGHEST SCORES — HOME

- 6-0 Tranmere v Bristol City
- 5-0 Rotherham v Chester C.
- 5-0 Preston N.E. v Chester C.
- 5-1 Rotherham v Birmingham
- 5-2 Rotherham v Leyton O.

OVERALL

- Top Scorers—Rotherham 38, Tranmere 36, Bury 28
- Most Goals Conceded—Preston 34, Chester 30, Brentford 30
- Most Wins—Tranmere 10
- Most Defeats—Brentford 11
- Most Draws—Reading 8
- Home
- Most Wins—Rotherham 7
- Most Defeats—Walsall 5, Brentford 5
- Most Goals For—Rotherham 30
- Most Goals Against—Cardiff 14, Preston 14, Chester 14

LOWEST LEAGUE ATTENDANCES

- 1,882 Chester C. v Birmingham C.
- 2,019 Wigan A. v Reading
- 2,135 Chester C. v Fulham
- 2,168 Chester C. v Bury
- 2,170 Chester C. v Crewe A.

— AWAY

- 6-1 Reading at Swansea
- 5-2 Cardiff at Fulham

Away

- Most Wins—Bury 5
- Most Defeats—Preston 7
- Most Goals For—Tranmere 14
- Most Goals Against—Preston 20

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PLAYER PROFILE

DAVID REEVES



Name: David Reeves
Place/Date of Birth: Birkenhead/19.11.67.
Married: No.
Girlfriend Lisa
Children: No
Favourite Other Team: Liverpool
Favourite Away Ground: Anfield
Best Player you have seen in your position: Ian Rush
Best Goal scored and how: For Sheffield Wed. F.C. against Norwich last season; can't describe it.
Best Goal seen: Graeme Sharp v Liverpool, 1986.
Best Sporting Moment outside football: Beating Stuart

Storer and Gary Brown at Snooker.

The Liveliest Character you have met in football: Mel Sterland
Details of your First Match:

For Sheffield Wed. F.C. against Arsenal at Hillsborough; we beat them 2-1

Your worst moment on the football field: Seeing Ian Knight break his leg for Wednesday.
The funniest incident you have seen on a football pitch: The referee being knocked out by a Kevin Richardson shot at Highbury. (It was funny at the time)
Your best pal in football: Ewen Simpson (Physio). We are never apart!
The best and worst dressers among your team mates: Nicky Brookman (bad dresser)! Phil Brown, but he's got some bad braces.
Do you have any hobbies: Any other sports and eating.
With which sports star would you like to change places for a day?: Nigel Mansel
Your favourite newspaper: Sunday Sport—never prints a lie.
Your favourite holiday spot: Greece
Happiest moment outside football: Meeting my girlfriend, Lisa.



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NORTHAMPTON TOWN



This afternoon we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Northampton Town to Bumden Park. The Cobblers will be looking for their first League win since beating Blackpool 4-2 at the County Ground in mid

October. In their last six League games they have drawn three and lost three, including a 0-2 home defeat against bottom club Brentford last Saturday. Progress was made in the F.A. Cup, however, with a long range strike from Dean Thomas accounting for Conference side Kettering in front of the 'Match of the Day' cameras. In the Littlewoods Cup, Northampton suffered a first round knock out, 3-1 on aggregate against Mansfield.

Northampton were the outstanding side in the Fourth Division in 1986-87, scoring 103 League goals and notching 99 League points. They had the benefit of a settled side, eleven players making 35 appearances or more, five of whom—Gleasure, Chard, Donald, McPherson and Wilcox are still with the club. The following season they came close to achieving Second Division football for the first time since 1967, finishing a highly creditable sixth, two points short of a play-off place.

Last season Northampton struggled against relegation and finished in 20th place, level on points with relegated Southend, but with a superior goal difference. The two leading scorers, Tony Adcock and Paul Culpin, who scored 30 League goals between them have since left the club, Adcock joining Bradford City and Culpin moving to Peterborough. Recent signing Bobby Barnes has taken over the goalscoring mantle with six goals in his short time at the County Ground.

Northampton Town

League Results 1989-90

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Walsall | (a) L 0-1 |
| Swansea C. | (a) D 1-1 |
| Bristol C. | (h) W 2-0 |
| Wigan A. | (a) D 0-0 |
| Shrewsbury T. | (h) W 2-1 |
| Crewe A. | (a) L 1-2 |
| Cardiff C. | (a) W 3-2 |
| Bury | (h) L 0-1 |
| Preston N.E. | (h) L 1-2 |
| Birmingham C. | (a) L 0-4 |
| Blackpool | (h) W 4-2 |
| Bristol R. | (a) L 2-4 |
| Notts. Co. | (h) D 0-0 |
| Fulham | (a) D 1-1 |
| Rotherham | (h) L 1-2 |
| Huddersfield T. | (a) D 2-2 |
| Brentford | (h) L 0-2 |

Scorers 1989-90 (Lge & Cup)

Barnes 6, Collins 6, Adcock 4, Thomas 2, Wilcox 2, Gemon 2, Quow 1, Donald 1, Brown 1, Chard 1, OG 1.

1988-89 Division 3

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Home W11 D2 L10 F41 A34

Away W5 D4 L14 F25 A42

54 Pts (20th)

Most League Appearances

Gleasure 46, Adcock 46, Thomas 43, McPherson 41, Wilson 33+6, Culpin 33+6, Donald 37, Berry 34, Gilbert 34.

Most League Goals

Adcock 17, Culpin 13, Thomas 9, Gilbert 7.

Goalkeeper **Peter Gleasure** has given the Cobblers tremendous service since arriving on a free transfer from Millwall in 1983. He has made around 300 League appearances for the Club and has everpresent in each of the last three seasons, and has missed only 5 League games in 6 seasons at the County Ground. **Phil Chard** rejoined the club from Wolves recently. He made 19 appearances in Wolves' Third Division championship side last season. Formerly with Peterborough United he began his first spell at Northampton in 1985 and went on to make 115 appearances before moving to Molyneux in March 1988. Another recent signing is **Irving Gemon**, a defender signed

FACT FILE

| Season | Div. | Position | League | | Lge Cup | FA Cup | Most Apps | Top Scorer |
|---------|------|----------|--------|---|---------|--------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| | | | Cup | 2 | | | | |
| 1984-85 | 4 | 23rd | 1 | 2 | | | Train 46 | Benjamin 18 |
| 1985-86 | 4 | 8th | 2 | 1 | | | Benjamin 46 | Benjamin 22 |
| 1986-87 | 4 | 1st | 1 | 3 | | | Gleasure, McPherson | Hill 29 |
| | | | | | | | Benjamin 46 | |
| 1987-88 | 3 | 6th | 2 | 2 | | | Gleasure, Wilcox 46 | Adcock, Culpin, Morley 10 |
| 1988-89 | 3 | 20th | 2 | 1 | | | Gleasure, Adcock 46 | Adcock 17 |



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from Reading for £25,000. The former Ipswich and Gillingham player made nine appearances on loan to Northampton during the 1986/87 season.

Dean Thomas is now in his second season at the County Ground. The versatile Bedworth born midfielder or defender played originally under manager Graham Carr at Nuneaton Borough before moving on to Wimbledon. He then spent four years in West German football with Aachen and Dusseldorf. Club captain **Russell Wilcox** missed most of last season due to a knee injury. Formerly with Doncaster Rovers, he was signed from Frickley Athletic, with whom he won England non league honours. **Keith McPherson** joined the club in 1986. The dominant central defender began his career with West Ham, making one first team appearance, and had a loan spell at Cambridge, before establishing a regular first team place at Northampton.

Midfielder **Steve Berry** was signed last season from Aldershot. He has played previously for Portsmouth, Sunderland, Newport and Swindon and has made over 200 League appearances. **Bradley Sandeman** has come up through the youth ranks at the County Ground and made his first team debut two seasons ago. **Darren Collins** was signed from non league Petersfield United for a small fee last January.



Back row (left to right): Paul Wilson, Wayne Williams, Matt Tarry, Peter Gleasure, Bradley Sandeman, Paul Culpin, Steve Berry.

Middle Row: Brian Knight (Reserve Team Coach), Keith McPherson, Glen Donegal, Darren Collins, David Johnson, Steve Brown, Dennis Casey (Physio), Clive Walker (Coach).

Front Row: Dean Thomas, Martin Singleton, Tony Adcock, Graham Carr (Manager), Russell Wilcox, Warren Donald, Trevor Quow.

(Photo by Pete Norton)

He made occasional first team appearances last season but this term has scored 6 goals so far and become a regular.

Bobby Barnes was signed from Bournemouth for £70,000 in October and has already established himself as a firm favourite at the County Ground. The skilful forward was previously with West Ham, Aldershot and Swindon Town. Midfielder **Warren Donald** was also at West Ham as an apprentice and joined Northampton in 1985. He has since made over 150 League appearances for the Cobblers. **Trevor Quow** was signed from Gillingham for £20,000 last January. The experienced midfielder player has made over 300 League appearances, 203 of them with his first club Peterborough. The skilful midfielder **Martin Singleton** has recently made a comeback after a 12 month injury lay off. The former England Youth International was signed in November 1987 for £57,000 from West Brom and played previously for Coventry and Bradford.

Paul Wilson was signed from

Norwich for £30,000 last February. The former Huddersfield full back had been at Carrow Road for around 18 months without making a first team appearance. **Wayne Williams** was signed from Shrewsbury last January for £32,000. The Telford born defender made 221 League appearances for the Shrews, having also been an apprentice at Gay Meadow. **Steve Brown** is a midfield player who is in his second spell at the club having re-signed from local non league side Irthlingborough Diamonds. Halifax Town striker **Terry McPhillips** has just begun a month's loan at the County Ground. The former Liverpool apprentice was Halifax's top scorer last season with 22 League goals and 24 in all competitions.

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MATCH REPORT

It's been a week when the Wanderers set about defending the Sherpa Van Trophy—now renamed the Leyland DAF Cup.

In this preliminary round the visitors were Crewe Alexandra who came to Burden fresh from a 3-0 League win over Bury last weekend and out to make things difficult for Bolton. With injuries at the Club, manager Phil Neal spent the weekend thinking hard about his team selection and his formula to play full back Phil Brown up front, drop Mark Came back to his normal defensive role, move Dean Crombie to left back and give Barry Cowdrill a midfield role worked. In addition Nicky Brookman was given his first 90 minutes of football in the first team this

term, and young Paul Hughes slotted into the right back spot.

Re-shuffled Wanderers were on their way to victory just before half time when Brown intercepted a back pass from Crewe defender Kenny Swain, to lay on the pass which Julian Darby took full advantage to score with a right foot shot.

In the second period Wanderers adopted a more positive attacking approach which came to fruition seven minutes from time when Brookman accepted a pass from Steve Thompson and glide a delightful left footed 'curler' wide of Crewe 'keeper Greygoose and just inside of the post.

The game produced a second penalty save on the trot from Dave Felgate when he stopped Aiden Murphy's attempt. Bolton's attendance of 3,868 was the best of the evening for the competition.

Other ties around the country raised one of two eyebrows. BLACKPOOL took revenge over BURY for an earlier season defeat, this time beating the Shakers 4-0 and leaving

Bury having to score three goals against Wrexham in the next preliminary tie to avoid going out of the competition.

ALDERSHOT raised their game for the visit of BIRMINGHAM and eventually ran out 3-0 winners. Former Cup holders MANSFIELD made a luckless visit to LEYTON ORIENT, losing 2-0 and MAIDSTONE, competing in the competition for the first time defeated today's visitors 4-2 at NORTH-AMPTON.

BURNLEY, who reached the Wembley Final two years ago made a unhappy start against ever improving STOCKPORT at Turf Moor where County ran out 2-0 winners.

As the Littlewoods Cup continued our special attention perhaps focussed on SWINDON as they tackled SOUTHAMPTON in the Fourth Round of the competition—the prize of another home tie after defeating ourselves. Swindon have become accustomed to replays and have to face up to another at the Dell as a result of the 0-0 scoreline.

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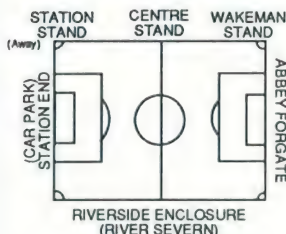
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Ground: Springfield Park Wigan



Ground Capacity: 12,500
Seating Capacity: 1,272

Ground: Gay Meadow Shrewsbury



Ground Capacity: 16,800
Seating Capacity: 4,500

TO WIGAN

Next Tuesday, 5th December, we travel to Wigan for our final group match in the Leyland DAF Cup. The Travel Club are taking bookings, the coach leaves at 6.15 p.m. and the price is £2.50. Programmes: 70p

Travel Information

From Bolton take A6140 to junction with A58; take A58 to Hindley, junction with A577, then A577 to Wigan.

Entering Wigan on the A577, Darlington Street East, continue ahead onto King Street. At T junction go right ahead onto Market Place, then at the top of the hill go left at traffic lights onto Market Street. At next set of traffic lights go ahead (past Technical College) then continue ahead to next set of lights, where you go right onto Springfield Road. Take second left off Springfield Road onto First Avenue and the Car Park.

Ground Facilities

Food & Drink: Snack bars throughout

Family Facilities:

Location of Stand: In front of Phoenix Stand

Capacity of Stand: 128

Away Families: By prior arrangement

Disabled Supporters:

Wheelchairs: Accommodated

Disabled Toilets: None

The Blind: Commentaries—Phoenix Stand

Club Shop:

Opening Times: Weekdays & match days 9.00—5.00

Telephone No.: (0942) 43067

Postal Sales: Yes

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TO SHREWSBURY

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Programmes: 60p

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- Terracing. Visiting supporters will be admitted to the Station End—turnstile numbers 13—16. Price of admission £4.00. A section of the Station Stand is also available for visiting supporters upon production of their own Season Ticket—turnstile 12.

Travel Information

From Bolton take A666/M61/M62/M6. Leave M6 at junction 11, travel along A460 south, join M54 West bound at Junction 1. Route to Shrewsbury will be via M54 and A5. Then A458 into Town Centre straight forward to Abbey Foregate.

Ground Facilities

Food & Drink: Snack Bars throughout

Family Facilities:

Location of Stand: Station Stand side

Capacity of Stand: 500

Away Families: By prior arrangement

Disabled Supporters:

Wheelchairs: Accommodated with difficulty (Please phone first)

Disabled Toilets: None

The Blind: No special facilities—but will help where possible.

Club Shop:

Opening Times: Match days only

Telephone No.:

Postal Sales: Yes

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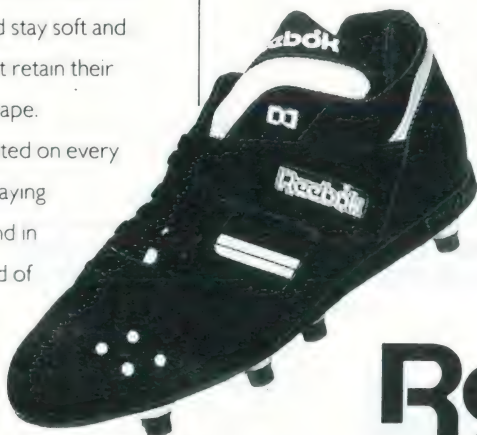
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JACK RIMMER
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1893—Bolton ended a run of three consecutive defeats with a 1-0 win at Blackburn Rovers. The only goal came from centre forward Billy McArthur.

1899—A crowd of only 3,000 at Bumden saw the Wanderers keep up with the leaders in the Second Division thanks to a 3-0 win over Middlesbrough. Bob Brown, Bob Jack and Jack Fitchett were the scorers as Bolton extended their unbeaten run to eight games.

1905—Bury were hammered 4-0 at Bolton as the Wanderers continued to improve after their poor start to the season. Walter White struck two goals with the others coming from Sam Marsh and Marshall McEwan.

1911—Bolton climbed into third place in Division One after a 1-0 home win over Middlesbrough. The only goal came in the 2nd minute when Joe Smith headed home a Tom Barber cross.

1916—It was Smith and Jones who saved Bolton from defeat at Burnley in a Lancashire Section war game when a 2-2 draw resulted. Joe Smith, playing his penultimate game before being transferred to his new RAF base, hit the first with twenty years old right half Bob Jones hitting Bolton's second.

1933—The Wanderers came from behind to win a Second Division game 2-1 at Notts County. McCartney put the home side in front after

16 minutes and it wasn't until the 70th minute that Bolton equalised through Jack Rimmer. Eight minutes from time Rimmer was tripped in the area and Jack Milsom hit home the penalty winner.

1944—Goals from Middlebrough, McClelland and Barrass gave Bolton a 3-1 home win over Southport in a Football League Northern Section game.

1950—Bolton were without Nat Lofthouse for the visit of Arsenal to Bumden but still ran out 3-0 winners. Bobby Langton hit two goals with the other coming from Willie Moir before a 43,484 crowd.

1967—A rare victory at Crystal Palace was recorded by the Wanderers. Terry Wharton, later to play for Palace, hit two goals with Gordon Taylor also finding the net.

1972—Bolton remained on top of Division Three on goal average despite going down 2-1 at Watford. Pat Morrissey and John Farley gave the home side the advantage but despite a frantic fight back the Wanderers could only manage one goal through John Byrom.

1978—The Wanderers recorded their first away win of the season when Queens Park Rangers were defeated 3-1 at Loftus Road. Frank Worthington struck two 'specials' whilst Alan Gowling also kept up his impressive scoring record.



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**LEFT: Nicky Brookman salutes
his goal against Crewe.**

**ABOVE RIGHT: Nicky Brookman
curls the ball towards the Crewe
goal for Bolton's second goal.**

**BELOW RIGHT: Julian Darby
hits home Bolton's first goal
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**"I know which
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Well, last week surely emphasised the fact that when things are not always going 100% right, people want to put the boot in. The comments over certain sections of the Radio and the Match Reports in some of the Sunday Newspapers regarding our defeat at Birmingham last weekend were, to say the least, a bit below the belt. The team as any Wanderers fans will tell you, were below par, due to injuries, fatigue, call it what you like, but when quotes come out like 'Boring Bolton' it really does start to wear the patience a little bit too much.

Our main concern at present is to start maximising home advantage in our Division Three encounters, hopefully beginning with today's game with Northampton, who lost at home to bottom club Brentford last weekend. With eight home games already played in the Barclays League, we are a third of the way through our home programme and so with a possible 45 home points to play for it is vital to make home advantage count.

Now that our Cup exploits have finally come to an end against Swindon Town, it really was quite amazing the number of Bolton and Swindon fans who wrote in to manager Phil Neal saying how much they enjoyed the quality of both teams' foot-

ball and really it is great credit to both managers who encourage their respective sides to play good skilful football, instead of the long high ball up field which in fairness has been successful for a number of clubs. I know which kind of football I prefer to watch!

Of course next weekend we have a free Saturday, now not being involved in the Second Round of the F.A. Cup. This of course gives the chance for the wife or girlfriend to drag you off Christmas Shopping; this horrendous task probably only second in line to visiting the 'mother-in-law' on a Sunday afternoon when the live match is on! But bide your time lads, be patient and keep her happy, because you never know, she might just let you go off to Italy next summer for a couple of weeks while she goes off the Rhyl with the kids . . . you never know, it might just work.

On closing this week, if you have got a spare couple of hours this Monday night, why not come down and support the Wanderers Youth side who entertain Manchester United in the L.F.A. Cup. This has been a highly successful competition for the Wanderers in recent seasons so why not cheer the young lads on, it promises to be quite a game — Kick off 7.00 p.m.



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| Aug. | 23 | Sheffield W. | A | 1-1 |
| | 30 | Stoke C. | H | 3-4 |
| Sep. | 6 | West Bromwich A. | A | 1-5 |
| | 13 | York City | H | 2-3 |
| | 19 | Burnley | A | 1-0 |
| | 20 | Littlewoods Cup 2/1L | | |
| | 27 | Blackpool | H | 0-1 |
| Oct. | 2 | Mansfield T. | A | 4-2 |
| | 4 | Littlewoods Cup 2/2L | | |
| | 11 | Preston N.E. | H | 0-0 |
| | 18 | Port Vale | A | 1-1 |
| | 25 | Wolverhampton W. | H | 1-2 |
| Nov. | 8 | Wigan Ath. | H | P |
| | 15 | Sunderland | A | 2-3 |
| | 22 | Scunthorpe Utd. | A | 1-3 |
| | 29 | Barnsley | H | |
| Dec. | 5 | Grimsby T. | A | |
| | 13 | Middlesborough | H | |
| | 19 | Rotherham Utd. | A | |
| Jan. | 3 | Stoke City | A | |
| | 10 | Sheffield W. | H | |
| | 17 | York City | A | |
| | 24 | West Brom. Albion | H | |
| | 31 | Burnley | H | |
| Feb. | 7 | Blackpool | A | |
| | 12 | Preston N.E. | A | |
| | 14 | Littlewoods Cup SF/1L | | |
| | 21 | Mansfield T. | H | |
| | 28 | Barnsley | A | |
| Mar. | 7 | Port Vale | H | |
| | 14 | Scunthorpe Utd. | H | |
| | 28 | Wolverhampton W. | A | |
| Apr. | 4 | Grimsby T. | H | |
| | 10 | Middlesborough | H | |
| | 18 | Rotherham Utd. | H | |
| | 30 | Wigan Ath. | A | |
| May | 2 | Sunderland | H | |

22nd November, 1989.

Scunthorpe United Reserves 3
Bolton Wanderers Reserves 1

The difference between the two sides at Glanford Park proved to be United's superior finishing with New Zealand born striker Perry Cotton hitting a hat trick to put his side on top of the League.

With the injury problems suffered by the first team also weakening the reserves, it was the performance in midfield from Nicky Spooner that caught the eye and he was unlucky not to have reduced the arrears with a shot that was cleared off the line during the second half.

Cotton struck Scunthorpe's first goal after 22 minutes with a low shot from just inside the penalty area. Five minutes later he struck again but on this occasion was fortunate to see his shot from an acute angle deflect into the net off Wanderers full back Darren Oliver.

Bolton pulled one back when Phil Neal got into the action, his clever dummy outfoxed Paul Musselwhite in the United Goal, a close range shot securing the managers goal in this fixture for the third consecutive season.

The Wanderers were caught cold in the second half when Cotton outran the defence to fire home United's third goal after only 22 seconds.

Despite some neat build ups the Wanderers rarely tested the United goal and with the exception of Spooner's strike, had only long range shots from Nicky Brookman and Ian Stevens as any efforts of note.

United, with their two goal advantage, only had one period when they put the Bolton defence to the test late in the game and each time Kevin Rose got down well to powerful strikes.

Teams:

Rose, G. Brown, Oliver, Spooner, Neal, Stubbs, Brookman, Mason, Stevens, K. Hughes, Fisher.
Subs: Roberts, Bentham.

Scunthorpe: Musselwhite, Smalley, Cox, Taylor, Hall, Moore, Tibbenham, McGlinchey, Cotton, Daws, Evans.

Don't forget next Monday,
4th December,
Manchester United are the visitors to Burnden in the Lancashire FA Youth Cup
• Kick-off 7.00 p.m. •

Best wishes go out to Wanderers Youth player Steve Coffey who broke his leg in the recent 'A' team game against Liverpool.



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW

**JOHN
FOREST**
Ex Bury F.C.
1966-81

**"Dave Hatton chipped
the ball over my head
at Northampton."**



Football enjoyed its boom time when John Forrest was at the start of a long footballing career. England were poised to lift the World Cup for the first time and ironically it was the majority of that history making team that honoured 'Jungle', as he was nicknamed in the dressing room, some 500 appearances later in his Testimonial Year at Bury.

It was former England 'keeper Colin McDonald who spotted John as having the potential to make the grade. "When I started Bolton were at the top and I can't remember playing at Burnden in a first team game. I have played there many times in the Reserves", he explained, "and once recall Martin Dobson scoring a hat trick for Bolton at Youth level."

He does however recall playing several games against today's opposition in the time of Phil Neal's days there and remembered one game in particular. He said "Ex-Wanderer Dave Hatton in attempting to play the ball back chipped the ball over my head to score an own goal."

John Forrest stands at a modest 5' 10" and many considered him to be small for a 'keeper but he disagreed saying, "Look at Eddie Hopkinson and Alan Hodgkinson, who both played for England. I had a good pair of hands and a good tutor in Colin McDonald."

Goalies often have to deal with one to one situations and the transfer market nowadays is demand-

ing £1 million for a safe pair of hands. Dave Felgate for instance has recently been called upon to save two consecutive penalty kicks. John Forrest recalls saving TWO in one match and still being on the losing side. "I was beaten by long range shots" he said, "and the Chairman was supposed to have commented that I can save from 12 yards but not from long distances."

There was another occasion in a game against Shrewsbury when there were two penalties in a minute—one at each end. John explained, "Ken Beamish had one saved and when play came straight down to our end they were awarded one. By coincidence I had watched Shrewsbury on T.V. the previous week and remembered seeing the way their player placed his kick and I saved it."

John Forrest lost his place at Bury to up and coming Neville Southall. "Oddly enough we both left in the same season" said John. "Nev going to Everton and me going to Macclesfield."

Unlike most ex-pro's, John still watches the game from the Stands. "I go to watch Bury every home game and I'll probably be at Burnden on December 30th" he said.

Nowadays he works in the animal feeding industry with Preston Farmers, a job he enjoys having come from a farming background, but reckons he can still offer football a lot. He concluded, "I've been looking at the game from the outside and I think I could do a job in football management if it's not too late."

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The Wanderers will be looking to find last season's form against Northampton when they managed to complete the double recording their only League success over the Cobblers in the process.

The first League encounter between the clubs took place on Boxing Day 1964 in a Second Division promotion clash at Burnden Park. A frozen pitch didn't help to produce the anticipated thriller and the crowd of 24,487 went away without seeing a goal.

It was the weather that caused the postponement of the return at the County Ground two days later and it eventually took place in March 1965. Unfortunately the Wanderers went down 4-0, suffering their first away defeat since the end of the previous October, Towns goals coming from Martin (2), Foley and Leech. Bolton twice hit the woodwork and it was one of the rare occasions that Francis Lee missed a penalty.

Northampton went on to win promotion to Division One but their stay in the top flight was brief. In December 1966 they again visited Burnden in a Second Division fixture recording their only victory here.

It needed an 84th minute penalty from Makin to earn Town a 2-1 win after John Byrom had equalised for the Wanderers with Martin having put the visitors in front after 59 minutes.

In April 1967 Northampton completed the double with another 2-1 win. Francis Lee had put Bolton in front after six minutes to give hopes of ending a run of six League games without a win. Town hit back before half time with goals from Martin and Large, but it wasn't enough to prevent them from going down to Division Three.

Northampton made their last visit to Burnden in November 1988. This time it was Bolton's turn to come from behind to earn the points with Paul Culpin putting Town in front three minutes from the interval. Ian Stevens levelled matters ten minutes into the second half and Nicky Brookman struck the winner in the 74th minute.

Last May the Wanderers equalled a club record 19 games without defeat when they came from two down to win 3-2 at the County Ground. Tony Adcock and Paul Culpin gave Town a half time advantage but goals from John Thomas and Stuart Storer hit the net to level the scores after 66 minutes. In the final minute of the game John Thomas produced a curling left foot shot out of Peter Gleasure's reach to complete a sensational fight back.

Our League record against Northampton is as follows:

| | P | W | D | L | F | A |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Home | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Away | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| Total | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 11 |

Photo: Ian Stevens opening Bolton's account against Northampton last November.





The Club commenced the season practically out of debt thanks to the successful bazaar and increased takings at the gate.

Once again there was an early struggle, for despite signing six new players, the club were positioned next to the bottom after four games.

Centre half was proving to be a problem position with four different players taking the role in the first five games. Archie Freebairn, Sparrow Brown, Tom McAteer and Bob Taylor all tried their hand but it wasn't until December that the problem was solved with the arrival of Bill Bannister from Burnley. He had caught the eye of the Wanderers in a Lancashire cup tie the previous month scoring

the winner against his new club!

Fellow strugglers Manchester City recorded their first win of the season against Bolton at Hyde Road fielding three ex Wanderers in David Jones, Tom Hynds and Hugh Morgan.

Wolves took a point from Burnden Park in a 2-2 draw thanks to a last minute penalty. The crowd rushed to the gate at the end of the game and the referee, Mr. Bye, needed police protection to the station.

In the next home game Newcastle were defeated with forward Harold Williams, who had signed from Bury, netting twice on his home debut. He was barred from playing in the following game at Villa as he had not been registered with the Football

League. The Wanderers were fined one guinea for this oversight.

During December there was a strange occurrence in that Bolton were refereed in three consecutive League games by the same official, a Mr. Lewis. Two away defeats at Everton and Blackburn and a home win against Stoke were under Mr. Lewis's charge.

On New Years Day Manchester City attracted the best crowd of the season of 20,000 and provided an entertaining 3-3 draw. City were still at the foot of the table and scored more in this game than they had in the rest of their away games put together.

Four consecutive wins eased the pressure off the Wanderers and they climbed





into seventh position after a 3-1 home win over Sheffield Wednesday. Goalkeeper, James Sutcliffe, became the first Wanderer to be sent off at Burnden Park when he was given his marching orders for bad language directed at the referee after he had allowed a goal that the custodian had claimed did not cross the line. He was later suspended for 14 days.

The other Sheffield side, United, knocked the Wanderers out of the FA Cup at Bramhall Lane, the Yorkshire side then going on to take the trophy.

During this time Bolton were at loggerheads with Aston Villa over the signature of winger David Stokes from Brierley Hill. Villa claimed they had signed him on Birmingham and District

SEASON 1901/02

• Photo •

Team 1901/02

Back Row

**W. Brown, Freebairn,
Davies, Bannister,
Thompson, Ostick,
Halliday.**

Middle Row

**Stokes, Hanson,
McKie, Taylor, Tracey.**

Front Row

R. Brown, Picken

League forms and that Bolton were poaching their player. The fact of the matter was that Stokes wanted to join Bolton as Villa only became interested in him when they heard of Bolton's interest.

The League fined Bolton ten guineas and ordered Villa to give Stokes a free transfer. He made his League debut for his new club in a 2-1 win at Wolves, inflicting their first home defeat of the season and scored his first goal, ironically, in a 2-2 draw with Villa at Burnden in March.

First Division safety was assured with six games remaining and all these ended in defeat with the exception of a 4-0 home win over Blackburn. More importantly Bolton's undefeated home record fell in the final home game of the season when Everton won 3-1.

It was a disappointing end to the season that saw a top four place evaporate and 12th place had to be settled for. The season was wound up with a 4-2 home defeat by Preston in a game organised to raise money for the Ibrox disaster fund.

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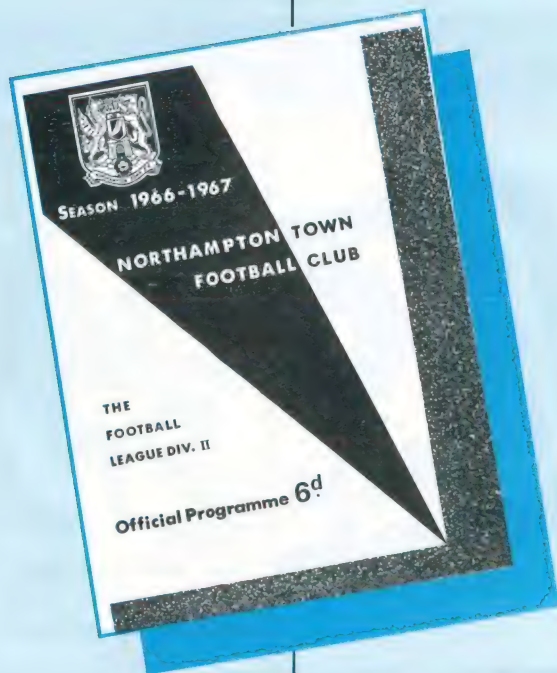
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**Northampton Town . 2
(Martin, Large)**

**Bolton Wanderers . . 1
(Lee)**

Our early exit from this season's F.A. Cup competition is touch enough to accept without it being local rivals Blackpool who of course inflicted that famous victory over us in the 1953 final.

The programme for the clash a fortnight ago was priced at 80p and contained 32 pages. The cover was a quite attractive photo shot of manager Jimmy Mullen with two of his new signings training on Blackpool beach. Inside contents included 'Around Three' giving you information and happenings on Division 3, 'Amateur Scene' which give you the run down on local leagues in and around Blackpool. The Focus on the Wanderers was quite good, it covered past meetings, the manager and a good review on the players. Overall summary of the programme—not one of my favourites from the Third Division but it was readable and quite a lot of content had been put into it by individual programme contributors.





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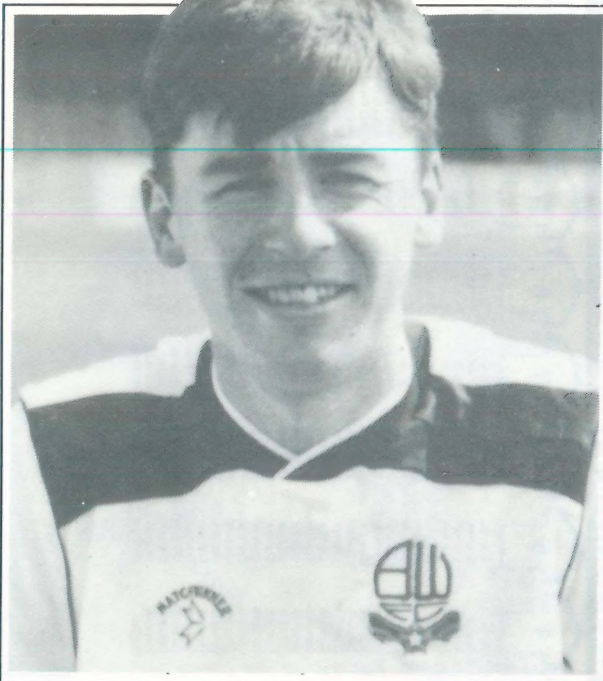
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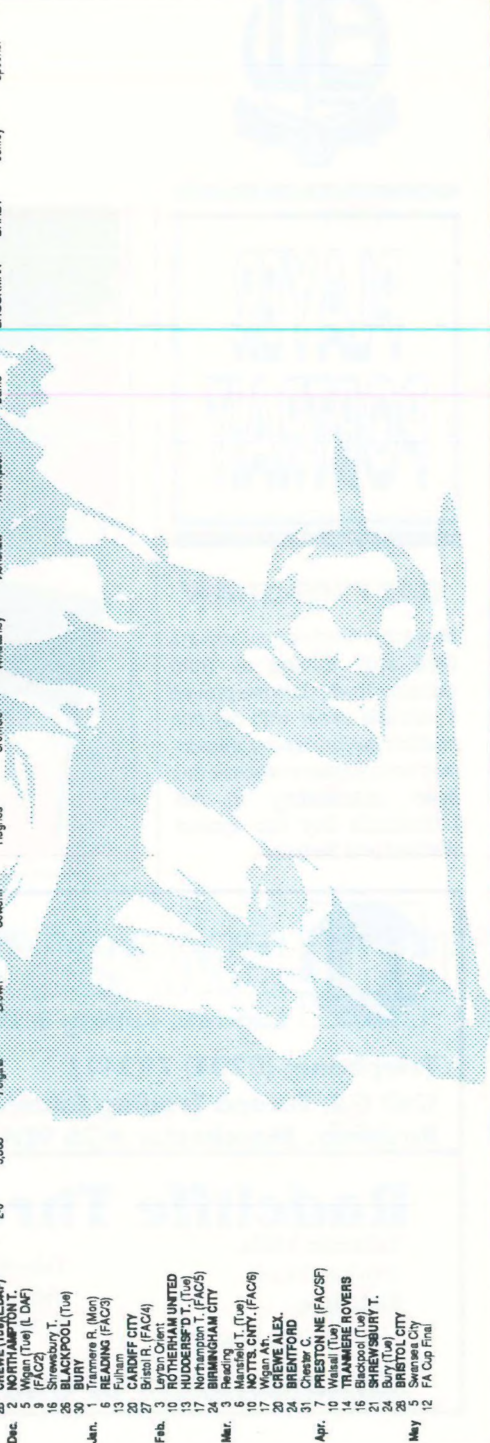
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Wanderers INFO

Junior Whites



Sunday
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2.00 p.m. — 4.00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

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TODAY'S REFEREE

I.G. CRUIKSHANKS
(Hartlepool)

Mr. Cruikshanks commenced refereeing in local Hartlepool Leagues in 1972 and progressed to the Vaux Wearside League and Drybroughs Northern League and onto Football League Linesmen's List in 1979. He joined the Referees List this season; important matches officiated in include Linesman at F.A. Charity Shield in 1988. His interests and hobbies include football, cricket, gardening and reading.



TODAY'S MASCOT

Simon Thorpe
Simon, who lives in Little Lever, is three years old and one of the younger members of the Junior Whites.

DIVISION 3

| | Home | | | | | Away | | | | | |
|-------------------|------|---|---|---|----|------|---|---|---|----|----|
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | P | L | F | A | |
| Bristol R..... | 17 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 4 |
| Rotherham..... | 17 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 30 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 32 |
| Tranmere..... | 17 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 22 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 14 | 32 |
| Bristol City..... | 17 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 31 |
| Bury..... | 17 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 14 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 30 |
| Notts City..... | 17 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 13 | 30 |
| Bolton..... | 17 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 13 | 28 |
| Birmingham..... | 17 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 27 |
| Shrewsbury..... | 17 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 25 |
| Huddersfield..... | 17 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 25 |
| Swansea..... | 17 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 24 |
| Fulham..... | 17 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 14 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 22 |
| Leyton O..... | 17 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 21 |
| Reading..... | 17 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 20 |
| Blackpool..... | 17 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 19 |
| Crewe..... | 17 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 11 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 18 |
| Cardiff..... | 17 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 13 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 18 |
| Preston..... | 17 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 20 |
| Mansfield..... | 17 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 18 |
| Chester..... | 17 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 13 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 18 |
| Northampton..... | 17 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 17 |
| Walsall..... | 17 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 17 |
| Wigan..... | 17 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 19 |
| Brentford..... | 17 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 18 |

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RESERVES v SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY

Pontin's League

Wednesday, 10th December, 1989 • Kick-Off 7.00 p.m.

BOLTON WANDERERS v MANCHESTER UTD.

LFA Youth Cup

Monday, 4th December, 1989. • Kick-Off 7.00 p.m.



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- 1 Dave FELGATE
- 2 Phil BROWN
- 3 Barry COWDRILL
- 4 Paul HUGHES
- 5 Dean CROMBIE
- 6 Mark WINSTANLEY
- 7 Gary HENSHAW
- 8 Steve THOMPSON
- 9 Mark CAME
- 10 Nicky BROOKMAN
- 11 Julian DARBY
- 12
- 14

TODAYS LINE UP

NORTHAMPTON TOWN *Claret and White*

- 1 Peter GLEASURE
- 2 Phil CHARD
- 3 Irvine GERNON
- 4 Dean THOMAS
- 5 Russell WILCOX
- 6 Keith McPHERSON
- 7 Steve BERRY
- 8 Bradley SANDEMAN
- 9 Darren COLLINS
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